

MATRIMONIAL MATTERS

CROWD THE SOCIAL CALENDAR.



MISS KATHERINE CUNNINGHAM, WHO IS TO STUDY MUSIC IN PARIS THIS WINTER.

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MISS MARION FRY, WHO IS TO BE ONE OF THE AUTUMN BRIDES.

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One hears so many engagements rumored, discussed, denied and affirmed that really it is well-nigh impossible to believe these days. Nearly every girl of the smart set who has been away has come back engaged to somebody, according to her friends. It is the fashion, however, to deny all such imputations. I mean, to deny the same if you happen to be one of the interested parties.

"Never, never believe men and girls when they swear to you with both hands on the almanac that they are not engaged," declared a wise young woman the other day. "In the first place, if you tax the man, he's duty bound to deny it, because fiancée has made him promise by all that is high and holy that he won't tell until she is ready to give a pink tea and inform her dearest friends."

"And then, too, there is another awful contingency. Suppose the wedding is not to be until midwinter and the girl is pretty and popular. She knows the minute her engagement comes out away goes her fun. The other men are not going to flock as in days gone by—not if they know themselves. She is entirely dependent on fiancée for her good times; and just suppose—harrowing thought—that fiancée is called out of town for two months right in the middle of the season! No theater, no calls, no flowers; no nice attentions that are meat and drink to any and most all society girls. Assuredly no girl wants her engagement announced if she still expects to hold on to her men friends."

A man usually likes to get out and about the glad tidings from the housewife when he's finally won the girl, especially if the wedding has been a hard and protracted struggle. And he is generally just selfish enough not to care whether fiancée has any other attentions but his own. In fact, he prefers not, as a rule.

Usually she wins, however, when it comes to keeping the interesting fact a secret. She always makes just one mistake, however—that of telling her best girl friend or two. And by the by, that mistake is halved when she tells two, since the two can confide in each other, and so keep from bursting with knowledge. But if she imparts the news to one girl only, then beware!

While many persons hold aloof from the theater and amusement places last week I was, nevertheless, surprised at the fashionable audience in the Olympic on Monday night. There was some talk late last season concerning the adoption of the ultra-fashionable, but nothing has appeared to come of it.

Society people do like to see a play on the first night that it comes to town—not only St. Louis society, but that of every city. There is an undeniable charm in witnessing the first production of any play, and there are always those who will go, even if a few exclusive persons do wait until Tuesday, or perhaps Wednesday.

The Sam Thompsons never neglect a first night. They were down in the parquet on Monday to see "Mrs. Dana," with Miss Somerville next, and when Thout for a trial of Phil Wilson for the "inside" man. Mrs. Thompson were a very pretty gown of light satin, fash, large French roses in spray applied on the upper part of the skirt and the gumples. They looked like those of effective cretonne flowers, but, of course, were not, being probably embroidered in silk.

Miss Jessie Edgington came with a tall, athletic, blond man, wearing her favorite pale gray, this gown being crepe, thickly shirred about the hips and applied in

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MISS EDITH MARION HALLETT.

Whose engagement to Doctor C. A. Frank has just been announced. Miss Hallett is the daughter of Mrs. E. M. Hallett of No. 3634 Windsor place. The wedding probably will take place in about two weeks at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, although all the details for the ceremony have not been completed.

heavy Irish lace. It was highly becoming, as gray always suits women with vivid coloring. I also saw Mr. and Mrs. Dan Nugent down near the front. Mrs. Nugent wore a white and yellow gown, with curious bell-shaped sleeves. And by the by, that reminds me, Mr. and Mrs. Nugent and the Thompsons are almost the only persons who follow the continental custom of leaving their seats for a bit of a stretch by every time the curtain fell on Monday; and I noticed that Mr. Nugent found it pleasant to visit several friends, buy the play, and seated on the aisles. Nothing adds so much to the sociability of a house as this promenade.

It is most practicable in St. Louis, too, because one is sure to meet one's friends every first night. There have no large influx of suburban or transient theater-goers, as in other cities. You have only to step into the Olympic or Century for five or six consecutive Monday nights in order to become well acquainted with the majority of factors throughout the entire house. The same people are always there. For this reason visiting and promenading are highly desirable and decidedly pleasant. It is simply much moving about in the possible, since there is practically little or no room in the back of the house. And on a crowded night, even that small space gets packed with "stand-ups." The Century has a show of one's newest frock. The Odeon is, of course, the place for sociability between acts, with so much space, well lighted and handsomely appointed.

Miss Marion Fry and handsome Wallace Montague are to wed this fall so I hear. Their engagement has never been formally announced, since their intimate friends have known of it for the last year. Miss Fry was ready to be married last spring about the same time as her sister, but Mr. Montague was called to Texas for several months on business, and a Texas summer is not the best climatic change in the world, even for a St. Louis girl. So the autumn was chosen instead, and November probably will be the month.

Here's an exciting bit of news! Silk-lined trousers for men. No longer are we to have the monopoly of rustling down the aisles, dear girls. Our manly escorts also will rustle, if some new clothes that I heard about the other day, belonging to several smart men of town, are to be taken as they are. They won't rustle very much, however; the silk is a very soft and silky kind, quite thick, too, and warranted to keep the trousers from bagging at the knees. They are said to be on easier when lined with silk, which by the by, doesn't appear to me to be much of an advantage. Silk-lined clothes for men came in last spring, and were worn all summer by some of our fellow-townsmen—Charlie and James Drummond, Dave Calhoun and one or two others. I hear that a certain widower clubman is

"Cloth that is said to be waterproof always leaks the first time you wear it out in a small shower," remarked Dick, who gets his clothes from Luntun town. "Don't believe this at all," said Harry, rubbing the cloth between his fingers critically. "Now, I tell you that it will," said Jack, who loves his coat. "The tailor who made it guaranteed it to be waterproof. It's woven so tight that nothing damp could ever soak through."

"Well, you've got to show us," chirped the others in chorus. "We won't believe any water-tight story till you do." Just then a servant passed through the hall, carrying a bucket of water. Jack spied him and rubbed out. "Here! Give me that water," he said, and taking the bucket, he stretched the coat between two chairs, the others holding it taut, and then proceeded to pour the water on one of the back breadths.

"Of course, you can readily fathom what happened. The water, precipitated in this way on my self-respecting coat, was bound to soak through, and soak it did, to the great and overwhelming joy of Jack's companions. I might incidentally remark that Mr. Jack eventually had to send his lovely new 'rain-coat' to the cleaners, for the water which was used to assist in scouring the front steps of the clubhouse, and was in consequence, decidedly dirty. SERENA LAMB.

Tickets to New York and Boston via Big Four Route give ten days' stopover at Buffalo to see Pan-American Exposition.

WEDDINGS.
Birthday rings. Mermord & Jaccard's.

The marriage of Miss Edith Francis to Alvin B. Nichols will take place on Wednesday, September 19, at 2:30 p. m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 3634 Windsor place. The ceremony will be very quiet and the bride will be Miss Francis's only bridesmaid.

Miss Anna Bohne of No. 3847 Windsor place announces the marriage of her daughter, Mattie, to Mr. Homer Lloyd of this city on Thursday, September 19. The ceremony was a quiet affair, at 2:30 p. m. in the parlor of the bride's home. The bride was decorated with goldenrod, roses and carnations. The bride and bridegroom were unattended, and the immediate relatives were present. The Reverend W. J. Williamson, pastor of Third Baptist Church, officiated. A dinner was served after the ceremony.

Among the out-of-town guests was a sister of the bridegroom, Miss Clara V. Lloyd of Sioux Falls, S. D., connected with newspaper interests of that State.

The marriage of Mrs. Anna M. Husky to Mr. C. L. Davis is announced to take place at the home of the bride, No. 4614 Chouteau avenue, on Thursday, September 19, at 2 p. m. After the ceremony supper will be served to the relatives at the home of the bride, No. 4614 Chouteau avenue. Mr. Davis was formerly of Greensboro, Ga., and is an employee of the Erie R. Co. The bride is a native of St. Louis, and the wedding tour includes a trip to Paris, Tex., and other Southern points.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stevenson have issued cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Jessamine, to Doctor Stephen Huffboyles on September 13.

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Mr. Frank Waldron Buckley and Miss Mary Cole were married on September 21 at Guthrie, Ok. Miss Cole has spent several years in St. Louis as the guest of Mr. Buckley's sister.

The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents in Guthrie. Mr. and Mrs. Buckley will be at home, No. 3631 Cook avenue, Tuesdays after November.

MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTIONS.
New designs in sterling silver chateaux, \$5.00 to \$20.00. Mermord & Jaccard's.

Miss Lucia Lynn of Windsor place entertained at dinner on Monday night in honor of her guest, Miss Eleanor Lyon of Em-poria, Kan. Covers were laid for eight. The guests were:

Misses—Eleanor Lyon of Em-poria, Kan.; Sallie Lyon, Emporia, Kan.; Theodore Levack, Emporia, Kan.; A. D. Fuller, Emporia, Kan.; E. C. Cornett of Minneapolis, Minn.; Messieurs—Mr. and Mrs. David C. Gilchrist celebrated their wedding at their home, No. 2335 Rutger street, on last Monday evening with a euchre party. Mr. Solomon Lulek of Cape Nome was an honored guest of the evening. Among those present were:

Misses—Hugo Keine, Charles Stevenson, M. W. Halbert, John Campbell, R. H. Hall, Ida Coffey, William Beck, Messieurs—Frank Shield, William Gilchrist, Jr., William Bruce, Viola Card, Clara Heller, Chervia Pine, Grace Montrose, Fine cut glass. Mermord & Jaccard's.

A jolly affair, enjoyed by young people last week, was the swimming party given by Mr. and Mrs. Les Hutchinson of May-nolia avenue, in honor of the members of "The Inter-National" residence, assembled at the Hutchinson residence at 8:30 o'clock and proceeded to the Benton Park Natatorium in the new private car. After fun in the water a supper was served.

Among those present were:

Misses—Regina Sussmann, Minnie Juengst, Nina Bry, Stella Davis, Carrie Thompson, Emma Davidson, Nora Patton, Stella Borgecuf, Uda Davidson, Ora Magnus, Messieurs—Harry Thompson, Walter Lohman, Eddie Thompson, Delphus Thompson, Will Pollard, James Durham, Charles Thompson, Ben Hutchinson, Martin Werts,

The 1901 Euchre Club gave its last outing Sunday, September 15, at Creve Coeur Lake. Among those present were:

Misses—Emma B. Hamig, Mildred Margenan, Stella B. Hamig, Laura Heese, Mable C. Davis, Julia Guenther, Emma Hamig, Bertha Ackerman, Alvin Hallow, Clara Ackerman, Nellie M. Dyer, Messieurs—Harry Margenan, J. Parker, Henry Hallow, Raymond J. Hamig, D. B. Frain, Harry Margenan, Sr., Dan Fox, Will Jones, Arthur Guenther, J. J. Davis, George Keefe, Miss Mildred Margenan of Fairfax avenue will entertain the club on Thursday evening.

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Mrs. Dortha Cramer, Mrs. William Stark, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Huntley, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ladd, chaperoned a merry party of twelve to Webster Groves Tuesday evening, where the party was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Linger. Their new home, No. 1010 Webster street, was the scene of the entertainment. The program was formed the entertainment programme. Mrs. Cramer read an essay on the late President McKinley.

On last Tuesday evening Miss Hertha Conrad entertained the Mermord & Jaccard's party at her home on North Grand avenue. The evening was pleasantly spent in music and dancing. Miss Conrad gave several vocal selections. Those in the bridal party are:

Misses—Lillian Vette, Edna Hanauksy, Edna Feutenberg, Messieurs—Hertha Conrad, Lillian Vette, Edna Hanauksy, Edna Feutenberg, Harry Droste, Edgar Lubke, Harry von Behrens, Arthur Lauman.

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A jolly party of South Side people, chaperoned by Miss Maudie Maudie, a hay ride to Benton on Saturday evening. Those included in the party were:

Kathryn Sexton, Agatha Glenn, Edna Hallow, Margaret Rowe, Messieurs—Jack Menton, Bert Morse, Bowler of Chicago, Dave Murphy, Charley Sullivan, A party was given in honor of Miss Minnie J. O'Connell, her home, No. 463 Ash and place, on Tuesday evening. Dancing was enjoyed until 12 o'clock, when refreshments were served. Those present were:

Misses—Harry Flood, Ben Garstang, Pete Rohan, John Clark, Gordon Lennox, Harry Fay, Robert Joy, Charles Walden, Edward Joy, Spahr Walden, Annie Magge, Doris Sherr, Helen Hays, Ada Whitman, Mary Nolan, Lillian Nolan, Edna Delahunt, Lizzie Smith, Anne Gallagher.

AT THE CENTURY THEATER.
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No vacant seats at the Century on Friday night was ample testimony that the "Burgomaster" has a hold on St. Louis's amusement-loving public. As last week makes the third time this music has been heard in town the large audiences all week have been a surprise.

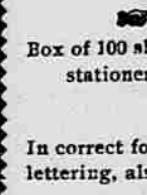
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Richards sat near the front with a man friend. Mr. and Mrs. Hengen came with friends and sat just behind Miss Ruth Spencer and her escort. Miss Spencer returned only a day or two from the Northern lake resorts. Miss Nancy Gerardi and Miss Florence Harrison, with two men friends, were in the parquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Vital W. Garechid friends with them in the parquet. Benjamin O'Fallon and James O'Fallon were near the front. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gardner and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gardner saw the perform-

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Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lake sat on the right of the house with friends.
Allen McKinley brought Miss Maudie Greet of Webster.
Louis Gruner, Julian Glasgow, Jack Con-nell, George P. Doan, Jr., were some of the young bachelors who came alone.

PERSONAL MENTION.
Mrs. George Edmund Beal of Cabanne is entertaining her sister, Mrs. L. O. Payne, of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McCourtney of Cook avenue have returned from the Northern lakes after a three months' visit.
Doctor A. F. Lewis has just returned from a Northern trip.

Miss May Farmer of Vernon avenue has just returned from Detroit, Mich., where she spent a month with her friend, Miss Pearl Boyer.
Miss Alma Schuch of Cairo, Ill., who has been visiting her friend, Mrs. C. Williams Koenig, No. 270 South Thirteenth street, will shortly return home.

Miss Kate D. Crouch of Cartersville, Ga., is visiting her uncle, W. B. Crouch of No. 525 Delmar boulevard.
Miss M. T. Hurley will return from New York on Monday.

Doctor Henry McKellops has returned to St. Louis after several years' absence in California.
Mrs. H. B. Goldsmith and children of New Orleans are at Hotel Beers, the guests of Mrs. Goldsmith's mother, Mrs. Joseph Boye.

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Miss Alice Smith of Sarah street, after spending two months visiting Mrs. Charlie Dunn of Denver, Colo., has returned home.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Oberhop of Chicago have returned after a visit of a fortnight to St. Louis, where Mrs. Oberhop is at No. 1903 Ober avenue.

Mrs. T. M. Bright and her sister, Miss Frances Kusel, are visiting in Cleveland and Buffalo.
Mrs. F. Fegan and daughter have returned to the city after an absence of two months.

Mrs. R. G. Patterson and daughter, Miss Kate Patterson, of No. 1010 Webster street, departed on Friday for the West, going to Leavenworth, Kan., and to Platte City, Mo., to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allen and daughters of Dallas, Tex., are occupying apartments at Hotel Beers.
Miss Claire E. Laels has returned from the East after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Adile Laels-Baldwin of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Gilbert have returned from a two months' outing in Canada.
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Miss Mary O'Connor and her sister, Miss Anna, have returned from a trip to Buffalo, Niagara Falls and New York.
Miss Toni C. Lieber of No. 565 N. Therman avenue has returned from the North and returned to No. 315 Whittier street.

Miss Mary Harris of Hotel Beers has returned home after a month's stay at The Cedars.
Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Little of No. 322 Delmar avenue have returned, after a summer spent in the country.

Mr. John Ralston, after spending the summer at Grand Haven, Mich., has returned home.
Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Myers have returned home after spending the summer at the Eastern resorts.

Mr. W. E. Stephens of New York City, formerly of St. Louis, will arrive in St. Louis on September 28 for a brief visit at No. 523 Spring avenue.
Doctor and Mrs. F. G. Comstock are in

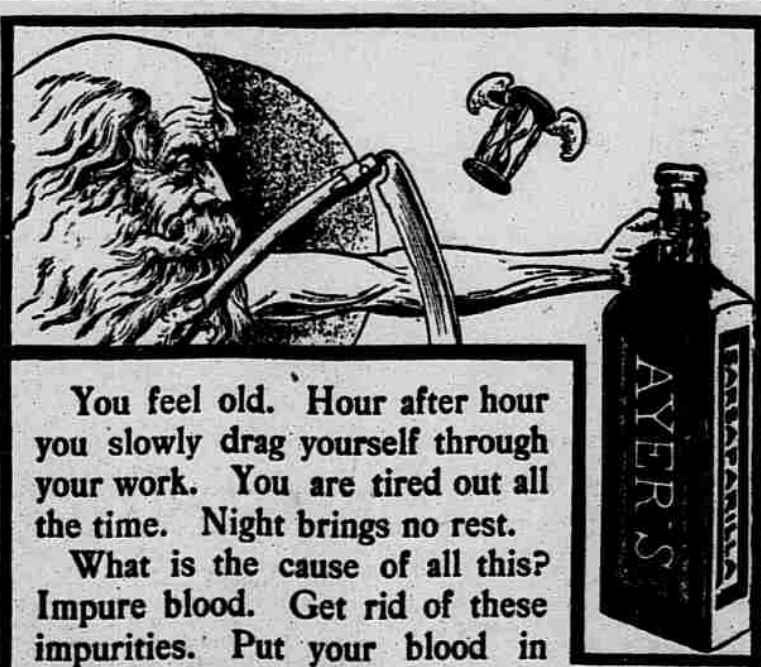
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